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## ARTILLERY COMBATS IN VERDUN SECTOR

Infantry Actions Have Again Given Away to Violent Shelling by Artillery

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Mining Operations and Artillery Duels Are in Progress on the

British Front in Belgium—Same Sort of Warfare is Reported on the Russian and the Austro-Italian Fronts—

Constantinople Reports That in the Caucasus Region

Around Mount Hope the Turks Drove the Russians to the Eastward—Germans in the Kondoa-Iranci District of

East Africa Have Been Reinforced and Are Advancing on the British.

The infantry actions in the region of Verdun have again given way to artillery bombardments, the most violent of which was directed against the French positions in the Caillete Wood and their second lines on the right bank of the Meuse. Bombardments have taken place along the front held by the Belgians and mining operations and artillery duels have predominated on the British front. A severe duel is in progress around the Hohenzollern redoubt between the British and Germans.

The Russians and Germans on the western line are keeping up mutual bombardments at various points and like conditions prevail in the neighboring between the Austrians and Italians in the mountainous region of the Austro-Italian theatre.

Constantinople reports that in the Caucasus region around Mount Kope the Turks in an attack drove the Russians from positions about nine and one half miles in extent and forced them to retreat eastward. The investigation is said to be taking a wide scope and it is understood, including close inquiry into the circumstances surrounding deaths of other inmates of the home. No indication, however, was given by the authorities as to the direction in which the investigation was being made.

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The foreign office expresses the hope that the central powers will promptly accept the conditions, so as to hasten the putting of the scheme into operation. C. Hoover, chairman of the American commission for relief in Belgium, will go to Brussels tomorrow and may be able to facilitate the negotiations.

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Kirkwood was 25 years old, married and had a daughter. He was employed at a local factory and was out of work on account of a strike at the time he disappeared.

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### Cabled Paragraphs

Premier Asquith to Visit Dublin.  
London, May 11, 11.45 p. m.—Premier Asquith left the Euston station tonight on board the Irish mail train on his way to Dublin.

**SEARCHING FOR EVIDENCE AGAINST MRS. GILLIGAN.**  
Proprietor of Home for Elderly People at Windsor.

Hartford, Conn., May 11.—The search for further evidence in connection with the charge of murder which the authorities have brought against Mrs. Amy E. Archer-Gilligan, proprietor of a home for elderly people at Windsor, as the result of the death there in May, 1914, of Franklin R. Andrews of Cheshire, an inmate, continued today.

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Mrs. Archer-Gilligan, who is accused of having administered poison to Andrews, added nothing today to her previous statement, in which she strongly protested her innocence of the allegation against her.

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## Mexican Bandits Again Enter Texas

ATTACKED CIVILIANS AND SOLDIERS NORTH OF BOQUILLAS

SKIRMISHED AND FLED BY AMERICAN RED CROSS

Conferences of Generals Scott and Funston With General Obregon Came to an End Without Any Agreement Being Reached.

Marathon, Texas, May 11.—Mexican bandits again crossed into American territory last night and attacked civilians and soldiers. The raid was made four miles north of Boquillas at an ore terminal and directly behind Major Langhorne's column, which, up to

## Preparing Protest to Great Britain

ON PROHIBITION OF RED CROSS SUPPLIES TO GERMANY

BY AMERICAN RED CROSS

Former President Taft Urged Action to Ensure Shipments to the Central Powers—Said to be Violation of the General Agreement.

Washington, May 11.—The American government is preparing to protest to Great Britain against its policy of refusing to allow the shipment of hospital supplies by the American Red Cross to Germany and her allies. Secretary Lansing received a letter today from former President Taft

### Condensed Telegrams

Baron Wimborne, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland has resigned.

Fire destroyed the clubhouse of the Newark, N. J., International League club.

April output of the Braden Copper Co., amounted to 4,106,000 pounds of copper.

Russia is negotiating with American rail manufacturers for 100,000 tons of steel rails.

The British casualty list for April was 91,162. It was officially announced in London.

The condition of George B. Cox, former republican leader at Cincinnati, is critical.

The Hotel La Tourette, one of the landmarks of Bayonne, N. J., was wrecked by fire.

The membership of the American Bankers' association is now 15,547, against 14,367 last year.

A charter was filed at Dover, Del., by the Huntington Development and Gas Co. capital \$5,500,000.

Six deer from Shiloh Island were taken to Utica and placed in the deer compound at a park there.

The 26th annual convention of the Missouri Bankers' association will be held at St. Louis on May 24.

Maine Central railroad declares the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.25 a share on the preferred stock.

Secretary of War Baker received an offer from Gov. Pinkham of Hawaiian National guard for duty in Mexico.

Chicago's streets were unswamp on Wednesday because of a strike of 500 "white wings" who demand more pay.

Joseph E. Widener has purchased the "Crucifixion" tapestry, formerly in the J. P. Morgan collection for \$200,000.

Frank G. Flood of Portland, this state, a graduate of Wesleyan, was appointed chemist of the city of Hartford.

President Wilson has decided, because of the international situation to remain in Washington for the next few weeks.

The Third regiment of infantry from Madison barracks and Fort Ontario, N. Y., left Watertown for the Mexican border.

The Belgian War department at Havre announced that a Belgian force has advanced 70 miles into German East Africa.

About 2,500 additional men returned to work at the East Pittsburgh plant of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co.

Announcement was made by the Commercial Cable Co. that communication between Greece and Crete has been interrupted.

Demetrio de la Garza, Mexican "bad man," and a companion were killed in a long range rifle duel with an American trooper near Boguillas.

Seven striking girls clamorers on picket duty were arrested in Cleveland when they refused to keep moving on orders by the police.

British aeroplanes dropped 18,000 pounds of food in addition to mail and military supplies in Kut-el-Amara, between April 11 and 25.

While laying a wire in the subway near 53rd street, Percy Scott of Brooklyn, a electrician, was struck by a south-bound local train.

Mayor Anthony Sutherland of Danbury was notified of his appointment as an officer of the Connecticut National Guard to learn aviation.

The Granite City Ice Company's storage plant in East Braintree, Mass., was destroyed by a fire which caused the sounding of a general alarm.

An unidentified man, thought to be a laborer, was struck by a southbound passenger train at the Newington station and instantly killed. The body was ground to pieces.

A contract for \$130,000 worth of speedometer to be repaired has been closed by the Stewart-Warner Speedometer corporation with the Chevrolet Motor Co.

The rubber cargo found on the steamer Sandeford when it was taken into Halifax, N. S., for examination, has been confiscated by the prize court these as contraband.

Germany is reported to have expelled Edwin Emerson, an American newspaper correspondent, who wrote a harsh attack on Ambassador Gerard in a Berlin newspaper.

A strike of 2,000 underground ore-shovelers employed by the Federal and Doe Run Lead companies at Flat River, Mo., threatened to paralyze the lead industry of St. Francois county.

The Federal Trade commission announced that completion of its apportionment of the Yucatan sisal crop among American twine manufacturers develops no demand for the entire supply.

Allan K. Smith was appointed receiver of the Green Electric company of Hartford. The company owns about \$9,000, but A. W. Green, principal stockholder and manager, says it is solvent.

A forest fire which started in the Roaring Brook district last yesterday afternoon, had spread over 10 acres last night and was not under control at a late hour. Volunteer fire fighters fought the flames.

Capt. Frank McBean, 45 years old, of Boston, commander of the dredge Ajax, fell from a tug into the Connecticut River at Hartford and was drowned. The body was recovered. He leaves a wife and two children.

Germans entrenched facing Australian and New Zealand troops which have just taken up positions at the British front in France hoisted a banner over their trench on which was written, "Welcome Australians."

First Secretary Grew of the American embassy in Berlin reached Copenhagen. He is ready to sail for the United States at once with important documents for the state department, if a leave of absence is granted him.

## German Chancellor Advised Caution

IN GENERAL COMMITTEE OF THE REICHTAG

ON GERMANY'S REPLY

Asserted That Blockade of England by Submarines Was Ineffective—Declared That a Break With America Would be a Great Peril.

London, May 11, 5.32 p. m.—When reports to be a summary of the speech of Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German imperial chancellor, at the secret sitting of the general committee of the reichstag on May 5, concerning Germany's reply to America, is published by the wireless press today under a Berna date. The wireless press states that the following remarks by the chancellor may be accepted as unquestionably authentic:

Guided by Coolest Judgment. "I have said before that we must drop all sentimentality. I repeat that with regard to our dispute with America, our self-respect was wounded by the aggressive words of the American note to Germany. Our feelings urge us to repel this interference with our legitimate methods of warfare and tell America to mind her own business, but considerations of policy compel us to subordinate patriotic zeal to patriotic reason. We must be guided, however, not by our feelings, but by the coolest judgment.

Rupture Would Be Great Peril. "We have one aim and one duty, namely, to win the war; therefore, any policy which endangers our victory must be avoided. Our policy regards rupture of relations with America as a great peril.

Submarine Warfare a Silliness. "A great mistake has been committed in overrating the value of submarine warfare against England. Our naval experts no longer believe in the probability of reducing England to starvation and forcing her to sue for peace. Even if the war lasts another two years, it is true that these instruments can inflict a frightful amount of damage, but this damage would be insufficient to outweigh the danger to ourselves of America's hostility. It is folly to underestimate the consequences of a conflict with America, nor should we risk only America's enmity. Our information leads us to believe that other neutrals might follow America's lead.

The imperial government has weighed every factor and is convinced of the necessity of avoiding a breach with America.

Reserves Future Liberty of Action. "These are the hard facts of the present situation. We have worded a reply such as may reserve future liberty of action. The situation changes. We may cancel our concessions to America and resume unrestricted submarine operations, but for the present we must overcome our feelings and pursue the complete conduct to the final victory over all our enemies."

**FOREST FIRE THREATENED VILLAGE OF CAROLINA**  
Only Dying Out of Wind Prevented Destruction of Village.

Providence, R. I., May 11.—A forest fire which swept between three and four square miles of timber land today destroyed several groups of farm buildings and only the dying out of the wind prevented the complete destruction of the village of Carolina.

The New Haven railroad, learning that its property was in danger, sent 250 section hands from New London to fight the flames. The fire started shortly after midnight and was presumably caused by a spark from a locomotive.

Curiously tonight, after the Baptist church had caught fire, the wind died away and the fire in the woods was brought under control.

**MEMORIAL MONUMENT TO JEREMY GRIDLEY.**  
Grand Master of Masons of North America in 1767.

Boston, May 11.—A monument to Jeremy Gridley, who was at the time of his death in 1767 grand master of Masons in North America, and attorney general for the province of Massachusetts bay, was dedicated here today in the Old Granary burying ground. Melvin M. Johnson, grand master of the Massachusetts lodge, referred in an address to the varied activities of Gridley, who had been a justice of the general court of this state, a colonel of militia and a leader of the bar.

**MARYLAND DELEGATES INSTRUCTED FOR WILSON.**  
Administration Lauded at Democratic State Convention.

Baltimore, May 11.—The democratic state convention here today lauded the administration of President Wilson and instructed the Maryland delegation to the national convention at St. Louis to vote as a unit for his re-nomination.

The nomination of Congressman David J. Lewis for the United States senate was ratified. Twenty-three delegates to the national convention, with half a vote each, were chosen, and the presidential electors were named.

**TRIPLE SHOOTING BY A JEALOUS SWAIN**  
Killed His Rival, Probably Fatally Injured the Girl and Then Shot Himself.

Dayton, Ohio, May 11.—Burnet Knepper, aged 24, today shot and killed Fred Kister, his rival in a love affair, then fired three shots into the body of the girl, Henrietta Mackey, and turning the gun on himself, fired again. The girl probably will die. Knepper will live, it is said. Kister died almost instantly. The triple shooting took place at the girl's home.

Belgian forces have penetrated 70 miles into German East Africa.

**Norwich Merchants' Week**  
May 13th to 20th, inclusive  
Fares Rebated  
Mammoth Street Carnival Every Day  
Two Free Shows Daily

to that time, had not crossed into Mexico. After a short skirmish the bandits fled.

**NO AGREEMENT IN BORDER CONFERENCES.**  
Whole Matter Referred to Settlement in Diplomatic Channels.

El Paso, Texas, May 11.—After almost two weeks of discussion the conference of Generals Huerta, L. Scott, Frederick Funston and Alvaro Obregon, Mexican minister of war, over American troop dispositions in Mexico, came to an end tonight without any agreement being reached.

The whole matter was referred back to the American and de facto governments to be settled through diplomatic channels.

**No Change in Situation.**  
Tonight the situation is almost exactly where it stood before the conferences began. The Mexican government still insists on the withdrawal of American troops from the border.

He has been overruled, however, by the first chief, Venustiano Carranza, and his advisers. After virtual concessions the demands of the American conference he was compelled to reverse his attitude.

**Negotiations Come to an End.**  
The end of the negotiations came today after two conferences had been held. The first began at 10 o'clock in the morning and lasted until 4 p. m., when a recess was taken until 4 o'clock to permit General Obregon to keep a lunch engagement.

Sharp on the hour the discussions were renewed. After two hours and a half, however, they were brought to an end. General Obregon came out, accompanied by Juan N. Amador, Mexican sub-secretary of foreign affairs, emerged from the private car occupied by Generals Funston and Obregon, and rapidly down the railway yards, climbed into his waiting automobile and drove away.

General Obregon was accompanied to his machine by General Funston. The Mexican conferee's manner was abrupt and vexed, but General Funston smiled cheerily as he bade him good bye.

General Funston re-entered the car. Then Colonel Robert E. Lee Michie, aide to General Scott, came out and distributed copies of the following statement to the waiting newspapermen:

**Statement Given Out.**  
"We wish to announce that, after several conferences, marked throughout with conspicuous courtesy and good will, in which conferences mutual impressions were exchanged and information was collected on the military situation on the frontier, it was agreed upon by the conferees to suspend the conferences and report back to their governments, in order that these may be able, through their respective foreign departments, to conduct this matter and that the ending of these conferences does not mean, in any way, a rupture of the good relations of friendship between the conferees nor between the respective governments."

**SEABOARD AIR LINE EXPRESS TRAIN DERAILED.**  
Near Norlina, N. C.—Reports Received That Fireman Was Killed.

Norfolk, Va., May 11.—The Seaboard Air Line, New York to Norfolk, N. C., was derailed tonight near Norlina, N. C. Meagre reports received here are that the fireman was killed.

**Movements of Steamships.**  
Liverpool, May 10.—Arrived: Steamers Pretorium, St. John. N. B. 11th. Orduña, New York.

New York, May 11.—Sailed: Steamers Regina d'Italia, Naples.